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Sent: 27 October 2011 11:52

To: LDF

Subject: Haringey Core Strategy re-consultation: Proposed re-designation of Pinkham Wood

Dear Sir,

I write to object in the strongest possible terms to the proposed redesignation of the Pinkham Wood site (formerly the Friern Barnet Sewage treatment plant). I have recently attempted to follow the perimeter fencing of this site and am persuaded that it is a site of ecological significance and deserves to be preserved.

My objection is on several grounds.

- 1. The redesignation from EL (Employment Use) to LSIS (Locally Significant Industrial Use) is based on a lack of substantial or persuasive evidence. The appraisal by Hyder Consulting UK Ltd, far from providing additional evidence for re-designation, actually draws attention to the threat to the biodiversity of the site.
- 2. National policy states that networks of natural habitats such as Pinkham Wood provide a valuable local resource. Regional policies, such as the London Plan, similarly are opposed to the destruction of natural habitats.
- 3. There is no evidence that Haringey considered alternative strategies such as Local Green Space designation, Metropolitan Open Land designation or Green Grid cross boundary green space connecting Barnet, Haringey and Enfield.
- 4. The LSIS designation is only deliverable if the Grade 1 Borough Importance for Nature designation is abandoned or fatally compromised. The evidence and the reasoning behind the Council's decision to alter the designation to LSIS remain unclear and unconvincing.

For these reasons the proposed re-designation is not soundly based and I would like to register my objection to it.

Yours sincerely,

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